suddenly that many of the inhabitants were surprised in their homes There much booty was taken, and in the moimng great store of wine was found under the giound, of which the soldiers took as much as they could carry and let the rest run

The next day (8th) the Earl of Essex took his horse very early and went to a hill near the town, not far from St Kathcnne's Castle, bemoaning his fortune that he was recalled befoic he was master of the market place , and there on a fair green in sight of the town (where there were 3000 soldiers besides the inhabitants), commanding all the gentlemen to dismount, he told them he was very sorry that no opportunity was offered him to have led them into a place where they might have gained honour , but the fault was not his neither was it theirs, for he had received great good will in all, and thereof was determined to give notes of honour to some And there he m ide twenty-four knights

The Lord General then took his leave of the army and attended with all his gentlemen went to the Marshal's quarters, where he stayed an hour in consultation Then the Marshal rode with him for a league on his way until they came to a wind-mill, where they halted for a while They reached Dieppe about ten o'clock at night, and the Lord General scarcely stayed to eat, but went on board, leaving behind him a great many mourning but hoping for his return

The next day Mr Robert Carey came from England with good news, but the Earl was gone before him

i8tb October THE BORDEAUX WINE FLEET

The Council having received Sir John Hawkins* report on the state and strength of the fleet about to sail for Bordeaux, order the ships to be stayed until further information is received of

the disposition of Monsieur Lucon

zotb October THE Loss OF THE * REVENGE '

News is received in London of a great fight about the Azores, in which the Queen's ship, the *Revenge,* was lost This report is confirmed by certain Spanish prisoners who fought in that action

On 3ist August, Lord Thomas Howard, with six of the Queen's ships (the *Defiance,* being the admiral, the *Revenge,* commanded by Sir Richard Grenville, vice-admiral, the *Bona-*